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OREGON WEATHER  
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Sunday fair; warmer Sunday;  
easterly winds.  
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## AN ECONOMIC WASTE.

The area legitimately tributary to the Crescent City harbor was the most conspicuous example of economic waste in 40,000 miles of travel," was the terse manner in which Captain Wilson I. Davenney, field secretary of the National Rivers and Harbors congress, summed up his observations after arriving in Grants Pass from the coast Friday.

The captain had been making an investigation of the Crescent City harbor and of the reasons for its development. He had come up the coast from Eureka to Crescent City, then overland to Grants Pass, and all the time he was absorbing facts and figures and impressions that might have a bearing upon the success of the project. Uncle Sam is more particular these days than he was once upon a time. He wants to know that there is need for a new harbor or an improved waterway before the hard-earned dollars of his nephews and nieces are paid out for breakwaters and dredgings. The mission of the captain in his travels about the country is to assemble for his organization this information, and at the same time to build up a sentiment among the people toward the establishment of the commercial value of waterway improvement. The congress believes that advance in the development of the resources of the nation can best follow the fostering of needed harbor and waterway projects.

That "economic waste" of which the captain spoke most impressed itself upon him, he told the Courier, as he witnessed the hauling of lumber and ore from mill and mine to the end of the railroad at Waters Creek, there for rail transportation to the markets. "Only the best of ore and lumber of the first quality could stand that long and expensive haul and yet return a profit to the producer," remarked the captain. And in that he saw one of the chief reasons for the building of a harbor at Crescent City. Then, with rail connection with the hinterland, this "economic waste" would disappear. Ore would go to the coast. Lumber and apples would be loaded upon ships for cheap water transportation, and there would be greater profit for the producer and lowered cost for the consumer. The "economic waste" would be a thing of the past.

Captain Davenney left no doubt as to his personal views concerning the Crescent City harbor project. While insisting that he may not commit the congress to any expression regarding the project, the captain told the Courier that personally and unreservedly he could say that in his opinion the project for creating a harbor at Crescent City is one of the worthiest of government approval that he has encountered on the three coasts—the Atlantic, the Gulf, or the Pacific. "And the most illuminating two days' travel that I have ever had in the United States was that from Crescent City to Grants Pass," continued the captain. He had come from Crescent City Thursday through the great redwood forests, and at Takilma he was handed over to the guidance of Dr. J. F. Reddy. There he absorbed from the doctor's great fund of information and got first-hand data regarding the copper and chrome ores being shipped. He said that he needed no better evidence of the value of the ores than the fact that it was being hauled 33 miles by

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wagon and then shipped to Tacoma in the one instance and to New York in the other, and yet was returning a profit.

Captain Davenney met with a representative number of members of the Commercial club Friday evening, and gave a most interesting address concerning the value of waterway and harbor improvement. He has made a profound study of the question, and he left his audience more than ever impressed with the necessity of reaching tidewater with the new railroad in the shortest possible time.

The Courier most sincerely hopes that full investigation may disprove the first reports regarding the wrecking of machinery at the Golden Drift dam. If it was the work of vandals, it must cast a reflection upon the entire citizen body. A "man" who vents his spite upon those for whom he gains a prejudice, or against whom he may have a legitimate grievance, through the methods of the dynamiter is about the most reprehensible criminal in the category. There will come relief, therefore, if it can be clearly shown that it was an accident that caused the damage Thursday night.

Manager Nibley, of the sugar factory, says that if there were 5,000 acres of beets such as those on the Hood and other ranches available the factory would be "swamped."

## Social

## In Honor of Grace Presley.

An entertainment of the campfire girls honoring Miss Grace Presley, one of their number, was given by the Misses Winnifred and Helen Fiffeld at their home on North Tenth street Monday, it being the birthday anniversary of the guest of honor.

After a presentation of gifts such as toys, guns, life savers and crack-jacks, the merry party formed around their guest and enjoyed a campfire war dance. Later they gathered in the house and sang songs. Then the crowd was divided and two plays were given which proved to be very successful.

Refreshments were served. All testified to a royal good time. Those present were the Misses Florence Bockock, Dora Herman, Estella Feldmeyer, Mrs. H. H. Basler, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Clark, Mrs. Fiffeld and the hostesses Helen and Winnifred Fiffeld.

## Don Graham Entertains

A number of Grants Pass friends were entertained at the Graham home on North Sixth street Thursday evening of last week. Som'rset was the leading game of the evening. Those present were the Misses Helen Fiffeld, Ethlyn Bartlett, Eleanor Bockock, Maude Bradford, Ruth Bradford, Olive Courtney, Lorene Courtney, Winnifred Fiffeld, Marguerite Wible, Ivah Day, Ellen Castor, Ulda Basler, Helena Herman, Mrs. Arthur Wible, Mrs. M. T. Wire, Dr. and Mrs. Farra, of Corvallis, Mrs. M. F. Gra-

ham, and the Meers. Jim Martin, M. T. Wire, Arthur Wible, Lester Day, Paul Day, Wallace Niles, and Don Graham.

## Old Maids Meet

A jolly crowd of girls spent Saturday evening at an old maids' meet held at the city park. The girls were Nora Anderson, Gladys Swacker, Maude Bradford, Ruth Bradford, Bertha McCallister, Erma McCallister, Dora Gebers, Ethel Kelly and Helena Knips.

Over the supper table they enjoyed a lively discussion of past, present and future, after which Supt. Savage took them for a Ford ride.

## Birthday Party

Monday afternoon a number of girl friends pleasantly surprised Miss Grete Stokel at the Westerhelde home, at 203 Burgess street, it being her 17th birthday.

Among the party were the Misses Dora and Elsie Gebers, Avis, Clara and Helena Knips, Hattie and Frieda Gebers and Helena Herman.

During the afternoon the girls enjoyed games. Each presented the guest of honor with a gift in memory of the occasion.

At the close of the good time cake, sandwiches and lemonade were served.

## Sunday School Classes Picnic

About nine o'clock on the morning of July 27 members of a number of Sunday school classes met the Taham truck at the Methodist church and rode to Fruitdale, where they spent the day in union picnic revelry.

The party consisted of Arda Isham, Vera Johnston, Bernice Coon, Sylvia Castor, Coriys Courtney, Doris Condit, Cora Randle, Catherine Carroll, Josephine Asburn, Estride Peterson, Wayne Coe, Glenn Howard, Marvin McDonald, Burton Courtney, Irving Condit, Alfonso Meeves, Frank Wilcox, Wade Harmon, Milton Green, Alvia Castor, Velton Basler, and the Mesdames Ora Hood, A. B. Pratt, C. V. Courtney, Harry Condit, and Miss Electa Chapman.

While the chaperons were busily engaged with needle and hook, the children enjoyed outdoor games and waded in a nearby creek. At noon a tempting dinner was served under the trees. During the afternoon Mesdames Basler and Clark were guests of the party. After the evening meal the merry bunch was forced to return with the gathering shades of evening. Each confessed to the time of his life.

## The '15s Hold Reunion

In response to the unique invitations which were received last week by members of the 1915 graduating class, several of the old number gathered at Riverside park Wednesday and spent the evening in memory of good old golden rule days. Although it is only a little over a year since the members were together as a class, already the ranks are broken and old companions scattered. These were not forgotten by the sixteen of the original thirty-five present to help recall the days gone by.

While seated around the supper table laden with sandwiches, pickles, meat loaf, cake, cookies and "bananas," each added interest to the reminiscent discussion by giving his report of the past year and as nearly as possible plans for the future. Those present were Allene Dunbar, Helen Witherspoon, Edith Sweeney, Helena Knips, Dora Gebers, Eva Coffenberry, Marie Edwards, Genevieve McCracken, Olive Courtney, Winnifred Fiffeld, Lois Dale, Evelyn Quinlan Van Dyke, Nora Anderson, Alva Nipper, Harold King, Loyal Heath and their visitor, Lester Powell, of Asura, California.

Mrs. Van Leuven's Class Entertained  
Mrs. M. C. Van Leuven's Sunday school class met with Miss Helen Fiffeld at her home on North Tenth street Thursday afternoon.

After a short business meeting, games filled the hours. Prize winners were Misses Grace Presley, Clara Knips and Mrs. Van Leuven. Later a picnic supper was served on the lawn and outdoor games were played until adjournment. Those present were Mrs. Van Leuven, Dora Herman, Ulda Basler, Clara Knips, Arline Bunch, Pansy Dukes, Joy Hamrick, Ruth Pratt, Ivah Day, Pauline Dean, Grace Presley, Estella Feldmeyer, Lucille Garber, Dorothy McManus, Inga Krussel, Winnifred and Helen Fiffeld.

## Gifts to Bride

A body of young people, representative of the Epworth League of the Methodist church, gathered after the Tuesday evening ball game and made their way to the home of one of their members, then Miss Ethel McCallister, bride-to-be. The crowd received royal welcome at the McCallister home and after all were comfortably seated, with Miss Ethel in the middle of the circle, Miss Ivah Day gave an appropriate presentation speech as gifts of aluminum ware were bestowed upon the soon-to-be bride. As

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demonstrator, Miss Electa Chapman told many good points of the ware and gave advice concerning its use.

A mock wedding, then given by the self-invited guests in costume, created a great deal of fun and amusement. After the crowd had looked over other of the wedding gifts they gathered round the piano and sang several old-time songs before leaving the happy home.

Those of the party were the Misses Ruth and Maude Bradford, Lorene Courtney, Ivah Day, Joy Hamrick, Helen Fiffeld, Dora Pratt, Electa Chapman, Mabel and Ethel Telling, Ulda Basler, and Messrs. Jim Martin, Wallace Niles, Paul Day, and Don Graham.

## Picnic at Riverside

Wednesday evening, July 26, a party of about 26 gathered at the city park, where they enjoyed the evening meal and spent the evening. Tennis and swimming were the chief recreations enjoyed. The party consisted of Mr. and Mrs. Macduff and family, Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds and family, Mr. and Mrs. Upson and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Barnes and family, Mr. and Mrs. M. Clemens and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Clark, and Dr. and Mrs. Truax and family.

## Tennis Party

A jolly party of eight spent Thursday evening of last week at Riverside park, where they gathered at the supper hour and enjoyed a picnic spread on the lawn. Later in the evening the crowd showed their favoritism of all park amusements as they gathered at the tennis courts.

The party consisted of Helen Bobzien, Ella Anderson, Ernestine Arkell, Florence Riddle, Darwin Ingalls, Bob Bestul and Jewell Bestul, with Mrs. R. J. Bestul as chaperon.

## Mrs. McKinstry Hostess

Mrs. E. T. McKinstry was pleasing hostess to members of the Oregonian club Friday afternoon, July 28.

At the close of a pleasantly spent afternoon, salad, sandwiches and watermelon were served to the club members and their guests, Mrs. Everton and her sister, Mrs. Birkhead.

## Watermelon Feed

A watermelon feed was enjoyed by a number of young folks after the Friday evening ball game of last week at the Bockock home on North Seventh street. The evening was spent on the lawn, where music and hilarity sped the hours for the jolly bunch.

The party consisted of Dora Herman, Ellen Castor, Ethel Bockock, Olive Courtney, Lorene Courtney, Florence Bockock, Eleanor Bockock, Jewell Bestul, Bob Bestul, Earl Pittenger, Harold Terwilliger, Maurice Bockock, and Winford Bockock.

## Pathfinders Dinner Guests

Several girl pathfinders were dinner guests of Mrs. Roy Hackett at her home on North Seventh street Wednesday.

During the hour plans were made for the summer camp, which is to be at Panther Chutes, near the county ferry. The girls will leave the city Wednesday, August 2, go by auto to

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the top of the mountain and walk the rest of the way. They plan to make the camp a real summer home, with phonograph, croquet set, etc. The girls who plan to go are Genevieve McCracken, Mary and Pearl Young-

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